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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Dr. Darrell Wayne Kinnard of Mabank were deeply saddened by his passing on September 8, 2021, at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, Darrell Kinnard was born to Jake and Ruth Kinnard on September 16, 1944; he grew up on his family farm outside of Granbury with four siblings, Jake, Sandra, Sharon, and Roy; after attending Tarleton State University, he transferred to Texas A&M University, where he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees; and

WHEREAS, While teaching in Weslaco, Dr. Kinnard met his future wife, the former Jennie Rainwater; the couple exchanged wedding vows in 1969 and became the proud parents of three children, Julie, Jason, and Joanna; with the passing years, Dr. Kinnard had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to include eight grandchildren, Caleb, Carly, Sam, Weston, Davis, Rylee, Keaton, and Hayes; and

WHEREAS, In 1971, Dr. Kinnard realized his dream of earning acceptance into veterinary school, and he went on to graduate in 1974; known by many as "Doc," he opened a successful veterinary practice in Mabank, where he cared for a wide range of animals; he distinguished himself as a leader in his field, serving on the board of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association and participating in multiple legislative committees; moreover, he was an author and presenter of academic papers and lectures, and he taught at several universities as an externship trainer and preceptorship instructor; among his various accolades, he was honored as the Food Animal Practitioner of the Year in 1996 and General Practitioner of the Year in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Deeply committed to education, Dr. Kinnard was a member of the Mabank ISD board of trustees for nearly four decades; he also gave of his time and talents to the Mabank Chamber of Commerce, Cedar Creek Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, and Mabank Development Corporation; a man of faith, he was a longtime congregant at First Baptist Church of Mabank, where he served as a deacon, teacher, and committee member; and

WHEREAS, Darrell Kinnard lived a rich and purposeful life, and he will forever be remembered with deep affection by all who held him close to their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Darrell Wayne "Doc" Kinnard and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Jennie Rainwater Kinnard; to his children, Julie Craighead, Jason Kinnard and his wife, Ashley, and Joanna Owens and her husband, Rocky; to his grandchildren, Caleb, Carly, Sam, Weston, Davis, Rylee, Keaton, and Hayes; to his siblings, Sandra Rogers and her husband, Floyd, Sharon Sadler, and Roy Kinnard and his wife, Billie; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Darrell Kinnard.